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 THE MAGNETIC FIELD)
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 ELECTRICAL POWER)
 TRANSMISSION LINE AND)
 ELECTRICAL POWER)
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1. European Patent Application No. EP 1 148 605 A1
2. European Patent Application No. EP 0 870 848 1 - The relevance of this document is discussed on page 12 of the specification of the present application.
3. German Patent Application No. FR 2.164.067
4. German Patent Application No. DE 34 06 664 A1
5. German Patent Application No. DE 34 47 836 A1
6. Dutch Patent Application No. DE 27 10 620 A1
7. European Patent Application No. EP 0 525 600 A2

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